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Application No. To Be Assigned; Filed: Herewith

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Inventors:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/05);
- 3. A continuation of U.S. Utility Application 10/310,917, entitled:

Hydrostatic Transmission

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of

- a. A specification containing:
 - i. 20 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 18 pages of claims (73 claims);

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- iii. a one page abstract;
- b. 12 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-12);
- c. A copy of the executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application, as filed in U.S. Appl. No. 10/310,917;
- d. An Application Data Sheet;
- 4. A Preliminary Amendment;
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